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Frost Centre closes

Government shuts down environmental institute over missed rent

by JENN WATT
Editor

Two months shy of its third anniversary, the Frost Centre Institute north of Halls Lake will close down permanently because of overdue rent.

Run by Al Aubry, a former IBM businessman, the institute took over the Frost Centre in June 2007 with the intention of capitalizing on the environment and arts to create a vibrant summer camp, education system and year-round conference centre.

But despite all efforts, Aubry couldn't stop the institute from

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Food fight for World Food Program

HHSS student Sylvia Jennings serves up a whipped cream pie to teacher Ms. Mitchell at the World Food Program fundraiser at the school last week. The fundraiser was organized by the Rotary Interact Club. The Rotary Clubs of Minden and Haliburton contributed more than \$1,600 to the cause. Photo by Angelica Blenich.

\$122,000 for cultural centre and arts council

by JENN WATT
Editor

Minden's cultural centre and the arts council have pulled in three major grants from the Ontario government totalling \$122,000 to promote perform-

ing arts, enhance cultural planning and improve museum infrastructure.

The Arts Council ~ Haliburton Highlands announced Tuesday afternoon that it along with the Minden Hills Cultural Centre had been successful in secur-

ing \$53,000 from the Creative Communities Prosperity Fund; \$27,000 from the Cultural Strategic Investment Fund; and \$42,000 from the Museums and Technology Fund.

The grants will have wide-reaching effects on arts and cul-

ture across the county, not just in Minden.

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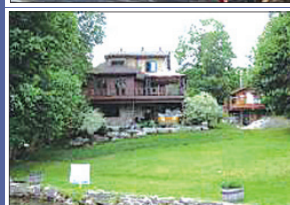
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Forum to address drugs and crime

The Haliburton Highlands detachment along with the township of Minden Hills will be hosting a Community Mobilization Forum on Monday, May 10 at 7 p.m. The forum will take place at the community centre in Minden.

It will focus on current drug and break and enter trends in the western portion of Haliburton County. Members of the public are invited to attend this free forum. Officers from the Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau-Drug Enforcement Section, the OPP Rural Agricultural Crime Team and Crime Stoppers will be presenting at the forum.

This is a great opportunity for members of the public to learn about local drug and break and enter trends, learn how they affect you and your family and what you can do to assist the police in keeping your community safer.

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April 22, 2010

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Bargains can be found on Saturday, May 15, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Royal LePage parking lot located at 10 Babington Rd. in Minden.
All proceeds from this sale will go to help our local YWCA women's shelter, the Haliburton Emergency Rural Shelter, and toward violence prevention and education programs for women and children across Ontario.
Donations of gently used items to this sale are welcome at the Royal LePage office in Minden on Friday from 2 to 6 p.m., starting on Friday, April 16.
While we are grateful for all donations, we can only accept small appliances, and we are sorry we cannot accept any upholstered furniture or mattresses, and we will only accept small tabletop appliances.



With spring here minds turn to outdoor activities like riding the bike. The Cycling Coalition has lots planned for this year's season. (File photo)

Think spring, think biking

Hope you have been enjoying the early arrival of cycling season this spring? We thought it was time for an update from the Cycling Coalition. Lots going on!

based on research and input gathered last year and speaks to the provincial government about their role in creating a bike-friendly province. With worth reading, and nice to know

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Tourists are changing, so must tourism

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

The very nature of the tourist is changing, says the chair of Haliburton County's tourism board, and the county and its businesses and accommodators must change the way they promote themselves if they plan to continue to cash in on vacationers.

Tourism board chair David Bishop, manager of Haliburton Forest, visited the county's economic development committee during its April 14 meeting.

While Bishop said the board, a collection of county accommodators and business operators, "at times had had some challenges" in its dealings with the county, he emphasized the board tried its best to keep the county's economic development abreast of its activities.

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey asked Bishop how he thought the county could do a better job of working with the board and how it could better promote itself.

Bishop told Fearrey he thought there were ways the county could more efficiently spend its advertising dollars. "That's what we need to hear," Fearrey responded.

Advertising needs to be larger

in scope and incorporate all aspects of the county, Bishop said, stressing that it was important for county advertising to incorporate the area's unique attractions in its promotional efforts.

Smith agreed that the modern vacationing family is looking for more than just a motel with a pool or a shoreline.

"Those days are gone," he said.

Rather, families want things to do and it's important that Haliburton promote itself as an exciting and energetic place, Bishop said.

He said the county should try to incorporate what he called the "fish philosophy" into its promotions.

Bishop explained that the philosophy stemmed from a Seattle fish market where, just a decade or so ago, business had been dismally low.

The vendors there knew they had to do something to reinvigorate the market's appeal.

"What they do is they throw fish," Bishop said, explaining that when a customer orders a fish, a worker tosses it to another worker, who catches it in paper in which it's wrapped.

As news of this spectacle spread, customers began showing up to the market in hoards.

"Their business has gone way



David Bishop, chair of the county's tourism board, stands outside the Haliburton County municipal office. Bishop wants to see the county take a more holistic approach to its tourism marketing. /Photo by Chad Ingram

up," Bishop said.

He said the four guiding principles of the fish philosophy are that workers need to be happy in their jobs, completely concentrated on their customers, must make their customers' day and also choose a positive attitude.

Bishop also said he was pleased

to see that the province had put the county back together as a cohesive unit under its regional tourism organizations plan, but added the government's one-time plan to include Algonquin Highlands with Muskoka rather than the rest of the county wasn't going to affect the board's uni-

fied approach to marketing.

"In my opinion, nothing changes in terms of what we're doing," he said.

There will be a town hall meeting to discuss the future of tourism in the county at the Haliburton Legion on May 12 from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Pharmacist believes cutbacks will hurt small communities

by **ANGELICA BLENICH**
Times Staff

Information regarding proposed government cuts to Ontario pharmacies presented in the national media are incorrect or misleading, local pharmacist Peter Meraw says.

New provincial legislation, if passed, will lower the price the province pays for generic drugs. The legislation aims at reducing the province's \$20 billion deficit and will likely come into effect May 15 unless changes are made.

According to Meraw, co-owner of Minden Pharmasave, the

information being publicized in the media regarding the prices for generic drugs in Ontario isn't right.

"What I've seen in the last few days from the province is that they're talking and comparing pricing," explains Meraw, "and that the pricing of pills is higher in Ontario than it is elsewhere. I think it's important that point be clarified. The U.S. data that they are referencing is what a U.S. military veteran would pay, and their system is so different from ours. So what they're showing you is the lowest possible price in a series of prices. It doesn't allow for direct comparisons."

"At the end of the day, this is about seniors, access to front line health professionals, and small towns. We need to show this government that small town rural communities like ours matter"

Peter Meraw

The differences in comparisons don't end there, says Meraw.

"They've also said there are more pharmacies per capita in Canada versus the United States. The reason for this is because our model focuses on a high-service model that allows for independent pharmacies to still make up 50 per cent of the overall drugstores in our province. If you go to the U.S. you will see that their model is a low-service model."

That change in service style, say Meraw, will be detrimental to communities such as ours.

"One important thing to clari-

fy is that they're doing this to reduce the cost of generics," says Meraw, "and we all agree that anything we can do to reduce the deficit is important. But it needs to be done in a way that's manageable and sustainable and doesn't hurt counties like ours where we are the lowest per capita earnings per household as well as the highest per capita percentage of seniors."

"At the end of the day, this is about seniors, access to front-line health professionals, and small towns. We need to show this government that small town rural communities like ours matter."

Algonquin Highlands mulls over auctions at airport

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

A longtime Minden auctioneer says he'd like to start hosting auctions at the Stanhope Airport on days when the airport hosts fly-ins.

Norm Mills has operated the auction barn in Minden for the past 28 years and is a member of the airport committee.

Mills visited Algonquin Highlands councillors at their April 15 meeting and said he thought hosting auctions at the airport on fly-in days could help to increase the popularity of the events and promote the airport in general.

"If it doesn't work out, that's fine," said Mills, who is selling his Minden business. "Easy come, easy go."

Mills said hosting auctions at the airport would require a few amenities, including electricity to operate the cash register and kitchen facilities.

"People love to eat during auctions," he said.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison said that in order for Mills's plan to proceed, the issue of proper insurance would have to be sorted out.

Mills said he knew he had \$1 million in liability, but could look at getting more.

If the auctions were allowed to proceed, he said, the setup would be put up and taken down quickly, leaving no garbage behind.

"I don't run that kind of ship," he told councillors. "You look at my house and you'll see what I'm talking about."

Algonquin Highlands chief administrative officer Juanita Dempster-Evans told councillors she would like to see a staff report compiled and presented to council looking at the plan's effect on the airport property, including whether it is allowed under zoning regulations and what the impact to the property's septic system would be.

Mills and the township will be keeping in touch regarding the issue.

Dorset featured in book on alligator boats

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

A new book from Toronto's Dundurn Press looks at Dorset, its Gilmour Tramway and the alligator tugboats that were used at the logging operation.

Alligators of the North: The Story of West & Peachey Steam Warping Tugs examines the boats invented and built in Ontario's Norfolk County and used in the logging industry throughout the late-18th and early-19th centuries.

The book was co-authored by Harry Barrett and Clarence F. Coons, two men who never met each other.

"I never knew him," Barrett said of his co-author.

As Barrett explained to the *Times* in a telephone interview from his Port Dover home, Coons had been working on the manuscript through a contract with the Canadian Forestry Association when he passed away in 2006.

Barrett, who spent years working as a high school teacher be-

fore pioneering an agricultural program at London's Fanshawe College, had recently written a book on the history of Norfolk County's forestry station for the association, after the area was named the forestry capital of Canada.

He was asked to finish Coons's book.

"The first and last alligator boats were built here in Simcoe," said Barrett, now 88.

Not only was Barrett connected to the place where the boats were built, but he was also connected to one of the places where the boats were used.

Here in Haliburton County.

Barrett's mother was born in Haliburton and he's been making trips up here all his life.

"They tell me my first trip was on the train at two years old," he said. "But I don't really remember."

As he nears 90, it was obvious Barrett's wit is still totally intact.

Barrett returned to Haliburton many times to visit family, honeymooned here and made his

last trip just two years ago.

So, for a few years, Barrett worked away, researching, writing and finding pictures for a book he hadn't started but was his to finish.

The cover depicts a Tom Thompson oil painting of an alligator boat. Barrett said he knew that Thompson had been fascinated by alligator boats and had done a few paintings of them.

While still working on the book, he'd attended an alumni event in Guelph and there, he said, in a corner on display were two Thompson paintings depicting the vessels.

"It was meant to be," he said, explaining he had taken the serendipitous occasion to seek permission to use the paintings for the book.

He's pleased with the outcome.

He also sent a copy to Coons's widow.

"She was delighted," he said. For anyone interested, copies of the book can be purchased at www.dundurn.com.

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Walk for Lions Camp in its third year

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

In May, for the third year in a row, Sherry Welsh will walk for a month straight to raise money for Lions Camp Dorset.

The camp is a centre for kidney dialysis patients and provides a setting where patients can enjoy a summer retreat with their families while receiving treatment.

Welsh's sister, Karen, ended up with kidney failure when she was just 15 and her sickness would eventually claim her life.

"We were very, very close," Welsh said of her late sister, explaining that they were maids of honour in each other's weddings.

It was actually while Welsh was away on her honeymoon that her sister succumbed to her illness.

"After that, I felt really bad for not being there," Welsh said.

Her sister had received treatment at the camp in Dorset and had always enjoyed her time there.

"She always talked about this camp," Welsh said. "So I got right on board."

And so, Karen's Quest was born.

On her first walk in 2008, Welsh

walked from Port Rowan, near her Brantford-area home, to the camp.

The 640-kilometre trek took her just over a month and she raised more than \$45,000.

In 2009, she again set out from Port Rowan and walked to Tobermory, where her family had once had a cottage, over a month-long period.

That walk brought in less money, because of the recession, Welsh guessed, but she still raised about \$25,000, putting the total she's raised for the camp at more than \$70,000.

This year, Welsh will set out from the camp on May 1 and walk to Ottawa over a 37-day period.

That means she must travel an average of 17 kilometres a day.

But she doesn't just walk a straight line. She's constantly picking up empty bottles from the roadsides as she goes, zigzagging through ditches.

"The one peeve [Karen] had was garbage on the side of the road," Welsh explained.

She turns in the bottles she collects and said that money helps for food and accommodations for her and her pace car.

As she passes through communities, people will often join Welsh,

sometimes walking by her side for days.

"I've met a lot of people," she said.

Welsh by no means considers herself an athlete and since she spends most of her time working on the farm she owns with her husband, doesn't really have time for any kind of raining regimen.

Rather, when the spring comes around, she just goes.

"I think angels are pushing me," she said. "Something is."

Welsh said she thoroughly enjoys the walks and that when they're over, even gets a little depressed.

She said if she ever gets tired, she simply thinks of her sister.

"My sister went through so much pain you can't imagine," she said.

Welsh said the camp is especially in need of money this year, as it requires a number of new dialysis machines, which can cost up to \$25,000 each.

Anyone who wishes to sponsor Welsh can make cheques payable to A-2 Charities Inc., earmarked "Karen's Quest" and mail them to Sherry Welsh at 1634 Wingham Road 3, RR3 Scotland, Ont., N0E 1R0.



For the third year Sherry Welsh will walk for Kidney dialysis. /Submitted photo

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Creating our tourism identity

IT WOULD SEEM that Haliburton County is experiencing a bit of an identity crisis.

As many readers will be aware, there was some turmoil recently as the province decided it was going to split the county up under its regional tourism organizations program, placing Algonquin Highlands with Muskoka and the rest of the county with the Ottawa Valley region.



EDITORIAL

Chad Ingram

While the county has now been unified under the program thanks to pressure put on the province by area residents, the debacle seems to have left some questions in its wake.

If the province was willing to split the county up, does that mean the county isn't doing a good enough job promoting itself or carving out a unique identity?

Some people think so.

A discussion between county tourism board chair David Bishop and members of the county economic development committee last week centred around how the county could change its advertising model by larger integration of its distinct attractions – things like Haliburton Forest, the

Minden Hills Cultural Centre, Algonquin Highlands's water trails – into its branding.

Doesn't seem like a bad idea. Why not emphasize the things that set the county apart from other tourist destinations?

Bishop and county economic development director Bob Smith seemed to agree that modern families are activity-oriented and will not pick a vacation destination simply for beautiful scenery and shoreline.

And they're probably right.

In an era where anyone can have instant gratification when it comes to entertainment with the push of a button, it seems a lot of people have lost the attention span or the desire to simply sit and absorb the serenity of nature.

However, it is Haliburton's natural landscape – its rocks and forest and lakes – that has always attracted people to this area, and it will remain so.

While it makes sense to incorporate the county's unique attractions more noticeably into its promotional campaigns, we're never going to create anything better than what's already here.

And this shouldn't be forgotten if the county is going to try to start promoting itself as a more "happening" place.

Advertising Haliburton without mentioning its landscape is like going to the Air Canada Centre during a Leafs' game to buy French fries.

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TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Marina clarifies things for worried neighbours

To the Editor,

I am writing to follow up to last week's *Minden Times* article entitled "Marina neighbours worried about wells." Whether I was misquoted or whether I misspoke, there are two quotes attributed to me that I wish to clarify.

First, I do not believe I said "there would be very little spillage of gas and oil" as the article states. Rather, I said there would be very little chance of spillage of gas and oil, which is markedly different! We do not expect to ever see any gas or oil spill issues related to this winter storage project. I did go on to explain to the reporter that the incidence of spills at a Clean Marine certified marina in Ontario is extremely low, which he did report. I wish to be very clear, however, that I do not believe there will be any spills of any nature on the property we are rezoning.

Second, our hours of operation were

incorrectly reported. The marina is a seven-day-a-week operation at the marina. I was trying to explain to the reporter that, with respect to concerns about traffic and noise, activity with this storage facility will take place Monday through Friday, during the spring and fall off seasons, when there are very few people in the neighbourhood. We do not expect the building to be accessed very much on the weekends, or during the summer or winter months.

If any *Minden Times* readers are interested in learning more about this rezoning, they can visit our website at www.oldmillmarina.ca. We have posted not only our own documentation for all to see, but have included any documentation that has been forwarded to us from the few neighbours who appear to be opposing our rezoning efforts.

Rob Walisser
Old Mill Marina, Dorset

Small town pharmacies at the risk

To the Editor,

Community pharmacists are front-line health-care providers, particularly in our remote rural area. With the shortage of the doctors in the area, often the small town pharmacist provides valuable health-care services that keep patients out of emergency rooms.

Patients with chronic illnesses such as diabetes, heart disease, blood pressure issues and arthritis regularly come to us for advice on how to manage their medications and other health issues. Community pharmacists keep these patients out of the hospital.

The massive health-care funding cuts announced last week by the McGuinty government will limit or eliminate the care pharmacists now provide to their patients. The impact of these cuts will be devastating for the remote rural pharma-

cies where the small town pharmacist is often the only health-care professional within many kilometers. These cuts will have a direct and severe impact on small independent pharmacies that deliver one-on-one health care to their patients.

The funding cuts will force small town pharmacies to reduce hours, lay off staff or close down altogether. In a remote area like ours it would be devastating for seniors and patients that cannot drive. Many of these vulnerable patients will not get their prescriptions filled on time or not filled. Eventually they will end up in the hospitals emergency rooms, which will cost the government more.

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Columns and Letters to the Editor

Fit to be tied

I'VE BEEN WALKING a whole lot lately. These days, in fact, I'm averaging about three miles a day – all of it up hill, I believe.

No, my car didn't break down. I have just decided that I need to be in much better shape for the upcoming hunting seasons. It would be nice to be able to walk up a steep hill without pausing to cough up a lung. It wouldn't hurt for me to lose a pound or two either. OK, maybe three.

Incredibly, I have already noticed a huge difference. I can now walk aggressively up one of the toughest hills in our area and though my heart rate goes up a bit, my lungs stay where they are and I recover quickly once at the top. It feels good.

My progress is such that passing cars no longer stop to ask me if they should call 911 or my next of kin and vultures have finally stopped circling overhead. Now, they just wait in the trees along my route.

Of course there are other spin-offs too. Now, if I remove my shirt and stand in front of the mirror in just the right light, before I have eaten anything for the day and after I've gone to the washroom, if I squint a bit and stare till my eyes go all blurry, and suck my stomach in until it hurts, I think I can see the rudimentary beginning of what might, one day, turn into a one-pack – something I haven't had since third grade.

Sure, a one-pack is a long way from those six-pack abs that fitness models show off on TV, but at least it's an integer. And whole numbers have definition.

I don't expect to progress to the two-pack stage any time soon since this probably

requires a major change in my diet along with liberal applications of medieval tortures such as sit ups, crunches and leg lifts. Having said that, I believe that at some time in the near future, with much more walking and the cutting back of between-snack snacks, I might find myself removing my shirt at the beach and unveiling a Tetra-Pak. That's right – there will finally be room enough under my shirt so that I'll be able to smuggle a few juice boxes. I figure grape flavour.

This might not seem like a great accomplishment to you, but believe me it is. My family loves grape juice and generally my wife stops me from even drinking one of

those fancy little boxes with the cool straws because she says they are for our daughter's school lunch. Instead, I have to drink ice tea from a glass, just like big people, which as we all know is not nearly as much fun.

But I digress.

The point is I'm actually enjoying all this walking – which I believe might constitute ample proof that incredibly bored aliens kidnapped me in the middle of the night and reprogrammed my thought patterns. I suppose I should be upset, but I'm not. Mainly because when it comes to alien abductions, this is far better than the alternative.

In any case, if you happen to drive up one of the hills in my area and see me walking, don't bother to stop and ask if you can help. Just drive on ahead and honk your horn at those pesky vultures. They're starting to bother me.

*I can be reached at
TheOutdoorLife@aol.com*



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

The word is out

THE FACE on my lamentably out-of-date television screen is that of a codger, watery of eye and lips a-tremble.

Book publishing houses are history, the codger lips declare. No more bookstores. No head office or sales reps. No more back lists. No more warehouses crammed with bound volumes of the written word.

It would have been better if the word were brought by some pigtailed, bicycle-clipped techno-geek instead of by this old man proclaiming a brave new world.

There will be Kindle or some electronic reader like it, and for those who like their words on paper, there will be kiosks, which is what the codger was there to promote. Punch in a title and your book will be printed, collated and bound before your eyes.

No more rummaging through remainder bins. No more skimming before you buy. No more collecting armloads of books and then putting back the ones you can't afford.

No sales clerks with whom to discuss the meaning of Proust, nobody to tell you whether the next James Lee Burke will be set in Texas or Louisiana.

Most of all, no more accidental discover-

ies of ideas that are news to you. The community of literature is to be fully virtualized.

I have seen the future, the old man says, and this is it – and he should know after 40 years with one of the world's great publishing houses and a long run as its editorial director.

For those of us who have achieved codger status, it is as though a kind of nuclear winter is settling over the printed and broadcast word, a cold twilight descending on the shared understanding of the world we once had.

Book publishing is doomed. Daily newspapers teeter, lose a million dollars a week, some of them, ease themselves off paper and into the ether. Magazines are reduced to flimsy pamphlets.

Network television programs for an audience with an average age of 50 except for the network news, where 60 is the demographic. AM radio stations born in

Peterborough, Orillia and Lindsay about the same time I was, are all gone now, 980 a void cobwebbed with static.

Mass media dead and dying, mourned now by codgers who spent their youths deploring them.

To those of a certain age and political persuasion, mass media were the devil incarnate, bourgeois manipulators of the truth, hand-maidens to big business, liars and cheats, a slough of mediocrity.

And yet those of us who wound up making our livings by searching for the truth and reporting it instead of jeering from the sidelines soon understood how often the media rose above the limitations set by their masters.

A Walter Cronkite could, however belatedly, expose the pointlessness of Vietnam. Famously, Edward R. Murrow deflated McCarthy. A pair of scruffy reporters could

bring down a Nixon.

What they said and wrote was at the very centre of civic life because you could trust it and everybody was paying attention.

Newsrooms were gatekeepers to the truth and the best of them pursued it with a rigour that was almost monastic. Now we demand not truth but comfort in our own convictions when we surf the net and the media that used to be mass are too feeble to resist us.

Once we all read the morning paper and watched either Lloyd or Knowlton read the news at 11. It took real determination not to know what was going on in the world. We all had the same information, right or wrong, talking points for the water cooler.

We always yearn for a comforting past, like cavemen lamenting that things haven't been the same since their fathers came down from the trees.

Print and broadcast all fade away. How the world will work, how we can achieve the common understanding that carries democracy on its shoulders, is more than I can figure out.

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BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell

Send your Letter to the Editor by Monday at 3 p.m. to editor@mindentimes.ca, fax to 286-4768 or drop by the office at 2 IGA Road, in Minden.



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This affects your health care

To the Editor,

The Minden Drugstore has been your community pharmacy for more than 60 years. If there was ever a time that Peter and Rich needed the support of the customers it is now.

To everyone who walks into our store and is greeted with a friendly hello and a smile as you proceed to the pharmacy, you know you are getting the best customer service we can possibly give.

The government has recently decided to make cuts to pharmacy allowances from the generic drug companies that make it possible for us to have extra help so Peter and Rich can do meds checks, blood glucose monitor training and go out and speak about health topics that may affect you and your loved ones.

Our government is presenting the allowances as money that pads the pockets of pharmacy owners, but that is not the true story. The allowances are not hidden. In

fact, it is just the opposite. They are funds that allow us to provide these services to you. The government dictates the seven categories for which this money must be used.

Another thing you may not be aware of is what Peter and Rich put back into the community in the form of charitable donations to support a long list of non-profit organizations. We, the staff, are not asking much, just that you help us to keep up the great service we provide to you.

Please contact your MPP, Rick Johnson; Health Minister Deb Matthews and Dalton McGuinty asking them to stop the cuts and give the support to Rich and Peter in the fight to keep our pharmacy as it has always been.

Most important, know the facts and what will really happen if the intended cuts are passed by the government.

**Staff of
Minden Pharmasave**

Pharmacy cuts will hurt services

To the Editor,

Ensuring good quality health care in the province of Ontario should be a priority for any government. The current government has forgotten that. In a time when communities such as ours are having difficulty attracting doctors and we are seeing access to quality health care declining, the McGuinty government is targeting yet another of our critical local resources.

Recently the McGuinty government announced changes to the pharmaceutical industry that would cut almost a billion dollars in assistance to pharmacists – front-line health-care providers in many of our communities.

As a former nurse I know the importance of having a strong health-care system – from doctors, front line hospital staff and other health care service pro-

viders in the community to those that provide services above and beyond their calling in our local pharmacies.

I've heard from many pharmacists and their customers who are concerned that these cuts to funding could result in reduced services or the closure of small pharmacies, like the ones located in Minden, Haliburton and Kinmount.

I want to commend the pharmacists for all the work they do, not only to help people who are ill, but to keep people healthy. They provide large savings to our health-care system by providing services in the community and reducing the need to visit a doctor or hospital.

I hope that you will join me in speaking out against this cut to health care funding and help save our rural and small town pharmacies.

**Laurie Scott
Kinmount**

Proud to serve community

from page 6

we moved to the Medical Centre and designed a cozy comfortable country looking pharmacy to serve our patients better. If you believe, as I do, these cuts are wrong and will be detrimental to health care, please write to our MPP.

Together we can stand for the health care and against the McGuinty Liberals health-care cuts.

**Khosrow Eshkour
Pharmacist/owner
Kinmount Pharmacy**

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2010 MUNICIPAL ELECTION NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

Notice is hereby given to the Municipal Electors of the Township of Minden Hills

Nominations in the Township of Minden Hills for the offices of:

Reeve	One (1) to be elected at large
Deputy Reeve	One (1) to be elected at large
Councillor at Large	One (1) to be elected at large
Councillor – Ward 1	Two (2) to be elected, representing the geographic Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden
Councillor – Ward 2	One (1) to be elected, representing the geographic Township of Lutterworth
Councillor – Ward 3	One (1) to be elected representing the geographic Township of Snowdon
Trustee	One (1) to be elected - Trillium Lakelands District School Board

may be made by completing and filing in the office of the Clerk, nominations on the prescribed form and accompanied by the prescribed nomination filing fee of \$200.00 for the Head of Council and \$100.00 for all other offices. The filing fee is payable by cash, debit, certified cheque or money order (no personal cheques accepted).

A nomination paper must be signed by the candidate and may be filed in person or by an agent during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. between January 4th, 2010 and September 9th, 2010 and between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Nomination Day, **Friday, September 10th, 2010**. Faxes cannot be accepted.

In the event there are an insufficient number of certified candidates to fill all positions available, nominations will be reopened for the vacant positions only on Wednesday, September 14th, 2010 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and such additional nominations, if required, may be filed in the office of the Clerk.

Electors are hereby given notice that if a greater number of Candidates are certified than are required to fill the said offices, Vote by Mail will be used for the purpose of voting.

Voting Day – Monday, October 25th, 2010 – 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

For additional information, please contact:
Cheryl McCarroll, Returning Officer
Township of Minden Hills
Box 359 Minden, ON, K0M 2K0
(705) 286-1260 ext. 214
cmccarroll@mindenhills.ca

Meetings and Events

April 22nd	2:00 p.m. Sustainable Building Presentation
April 23rd	2:00 p.m. Minden Hills Cultural Centre Funding Launch
April 24th	11:00 Minden Makeover - Clean up R.D. Lawrence Place
April 24th	1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Family Earth Day Festival MH Cultural Centre
April 29th	9:00 a.m. Council



Call to artist for Submission:

Canadian Landscape Juried Exhibition scheduled
Deadline June 4. Entry Form: www.mindenculturalcentre.com

Around the Frayed Edges

Exhibiting to May 29 Agnes Jamieson Gallery

Twenty-seven fibre artists from across North America have created works for this exhibition. From sculptural to painterly to installations this leading edge exhibition addresses all of the visual arts elements – all in fibre.

Mineral Club at R.D. Lawrence Place, April 22, 2010, 7:30 pm

Join experts Michael Bainbridge and Steve Smith in an informative and fun introduction to mineral collecting. Children are welcome.
Contact hgs@theoecurrence.ca, or Steve at 286-4433.

Haliburton County Earth Day Festival, April 24 1:00 - 4:00 Cultural Centre Grounds, Common Room, RDLP

A Minden Clean-up will be led by EH! At noon, followed by opening ceremonies in the Cultural Centre common room at 1 pm. A family festival with live music, children's activities, presentations for adults on recycling in the county, Good Green News, an art attack and more from R.D. Lawrence Place, Kinark Outdoor Centre, Bark Lake Leadership Centre, Gaia Centre, Rails End Gallery and many volunteer helping hands.

Beat Beethoven Run – Registration Open!

The Minden Hills Cultural Centre and the Highlands Brass Academy present the first annual Beat Beethoven Fundraising Run.

Combining sport and the arts in a fun and exciting way: the runners line up, the gun goes off, and the Highlands Brass Academy starts playing Beethoven's 5th Symphony! The goal is for the runners to make it back to the finish line before the Symphony finishes!

Race Day: July 4th 2010 Race Time: 9:00 am

Go to www.mindenculturalcentre.com for downloadable registration form and more details.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 34(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001 c.25, as amended that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on **THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 2010** at the hour of 9:00 a.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:-

1. File No. SRA-09-02

Applicant – **Barbara HUTTON and Edward THOMPSON**

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Davis Lake, lying in front of Lot 10, Concession 2, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9086, registered March 8, 2010.

2. File No. SRA-09-06

Applicant – **Patricia and Gary SNOODON**

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Canning Lake, lying in front of Lot 11, Concession 14, geographic Township of Snowdon, designated as Part 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9054, registered December 18, 2009.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department of the Township of Minden Hills, 7 Milne Street, during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this 14th day of April, 2010.

(Ms) Elinor Kernohan, AMCT, CMM, ACST
Planning Administrator

Registration for Minden Youth Recreational Softball

April 26, 6:30-8:00 pm / \$30 per player

Open to youth born in 1991 through 2006.

Coaches and volunteers needed.

Call Rick at **286-1936 xt 201** for info.

TENDERS

Community Services Department

1. Arena Snack Bar Operations
2. Insulation and siding installation
3. Rink area structural engineering report & design
4. Accessibility design & upgrades
5. Dressing room and washroom reconfiguration
6. HVAC systems design & install
7. Electrical upgrades
8. Design for Gull River Erosion Repair

To request complete tender documents contact Rick Cox at 286-1936 ext 201 or by email at rcox@mindenhills.ca

DEADLINE to respond is 12:00 noon May 3rd, 2010. All "sealed" responses should be received at the Township of Minden Hills, second floor, "CLEARLY MARKED" for its respective tender (1-8) at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario. K0M 2K0.

The Township reserves the right to reject any and all tenders and the lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE GEESE



The Township's goose management program is now in operation along the Riverwalk and in Rotary Park. Please be aware of goose dogs at work. Do not approach them or the operator. Thank you. For more information please contact Rick Cox at rcox@mindenhills.ca or at 286-1936 xt 201.

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Commemorative 150th Minden Hills Lapel Pins are available for \$1.00 each.

To commemorate this historical year, Minden Hills Museum issued a special 150th Collector Coin. This special edition collector coin is a limited supply and will be sold on a first come first serve basis. Once the coins are gone, they are gone! Call or drop by the Cultural Centre for your Order Stub...cash, cheque, visa and mastercard payments are offered. Make cheques payable to Minden Hills Museum and mail to P.O. Box 69, Minden Ontario K0M 2K0 (Daniela Pagliaro 286-2808 or culturalcentre@mindenhills.ca).

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Haliburton County Outdoors

by Steve Galea

A turkey hunting primer

There's something about turkey hunting that gets in your blood. I think this is because 95 per cent of turkey hunting is simply sitting silently in the woods, observing nature.

While waiting on gobblers, I've watched bears, moose, deer, brush wolves and all manner of birds, rodents and small game. I've had hen turkeys (which, unless bearded, are illegal to shoot) peck at the eyelets of my boots as I sat stone still and camouflaged. I've watched wildflowers emerge into full bloom, found morels and learned to recognize a few bird songs. Most turkey hunters have had similar experiences.

A difficult bird?

It's often been said that wild turkeys are among the most difficult North American game to hunt. I would say most frustrating is more accurate.

Tom and jakes (the older and young males) can be ridiculously easy to lure in one day and almost impossible the next. That's because the spring hunting season coincides with their breeding season and they've got hens on the brain. If a tom or jake is alone, they'll sometimes forgive your worst hen calls and come running. If they've already collected a harem, however, they'll ignore your best efforts – they've already got what you're pretending to offer.

A turkey's vision is incredibly acute too. Constantly on the lookout for predators, they'll typically approach with great caution and run off at the first sign that something's wrong.

Sit still and call as required

This is why a turkey hunter's greatest skill is sitting still. Wear good camo, including facemasks and gloves, but above all sit completely still when a bird is in sight; if you can see its eyes, it will see you the

minute you move. The more birds around you, the greater the chance of being detected.

Bringing them within gun or bow range usually requires good calling. And decoys give approaching birds something to focus on when they're investigating those hen sounds you made. Sometimes, a bird will see the decoy and approach solely because of this. Most times it's your calling that will make or break the deal, however.

You don't need to be an expert caller. You just need to let the bird's actions dictate how you call. If it's near, stop altogether or tone it down and call sparingly – otherwise it will pinpoint your location. If that gobbler is sounding off in the distance, however, call louder and get its attention. If all goes well, the next time it sounds off, it will be closer. Don't call constantly either. Remember, as that turkey nears, it's searching for the source of the calling. Make it hunt until it gets within effective range.

Every hunter has a favourite turkey call and they all work well if you know how to use them. That's key – being proficient at one or two hen sounds is better than being awful at several. Learn basic yelps and clucks and you'll be in the game.

It's also important to know your gun's effective range with the turkey load you're using. With mine, its 35 yards – beyond that, the shot pattern is too sparse. When bow hunting, if you can't arrow an orange-sized target, you're beyond effective range.

When using a shotgun, shoot for the gobbler's head or neck; with a bow, shoot for the body. These placements will result in quick kills and little or no wasted meat.

April 26 marks the opening day of wild turkey season here in Ontario. It ends on May 31. Between those two dates, many hunters will be frustrated and fooled – and some will be successful. But almost everyone will learn a little more about the ways of this great game bird.



Good turkey hunting opportunities are available throughout Haliburton County. Here, Steve Galea walks away with last year's turkey dinner. /Photo submitted by Steve Galea

Stocking Haliburton County lakes helps replenish populations

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association and the Ministry of Natural Resources are once again, in the process of stocking lakes in Haliburton County with game fish.

This partnership that has been in place for the last 10 years is largely responsible for the fine quality of fishing enjoyed in the Highlands.

Stocked lakes divert angling pressure from lakes with natural fish reproduction and provide anglers with additional exciting fishing opportunities.

"This has been a really successful year so far in terms of raising fish. Their survival rates have been high," HHOA hatchery manager Rex Henry says,

This year, he says, the HHOA

will be stocking about 15 lakes with approximately 21,000 lake trout that have been raised in the hatchery for the last 18 months.

At release, they're five to six inches in length. Additionally, somewhere around 24,000 hatchery-raised rainbow trout will be placed in seven lakes throughout the county.

Walleye eggs were also collected in mid-April out of Head Lake, despite a strange spring and slow start on spawning activities, Henry says.

Now, they'll be incubated and grown and, if all goes well, approximately 25,000 of these popular game fish will be released in local lakes.

Additionally, the Ministry of

Natural Resources will be releasing brook trout into a number of local waters.

A boat or stocking truck is used to release fish in accessible lakes.

An MNR helicopter will be used to stock more remote waters.

Henry says approximately 45 HHOA volunteers contribute time and expertise to the project and to running the hatchery year round. "Of course, we could always use more volunteers and would welcome anyone who is interested in participating."

For information on joining the HHOA or on how to get a list of stocked lakes call 457-9664 or visit <http://www.hhoa.on.ca/>.



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New chiropractor taking new patients – human and otherwise

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff



Dr. Aerin Greidanus is Minden's new chiropractor having taken over Highlands Chiropractic last month. Greidanus works not only on people, but on animals as well. /Photo by Chad Ingram

Chiropractor Dr. Aerin Greidanus says she's yet to be kicked by a horse or mauled by a dog, but is prepared for the possibility that it could happen.

Greidanus, who took over Minden's Highlands Chiropractic in March, works not just on human patients, but on animals as well.

"It depends a little bit on the animal, but by the second or third treatment, they know what's going to happen," Greidanus said last week. "They love it."

Minden's newest medical professional said the benefits of chiropractic are just the same for animals as they are for people – reduced degeneration, eradication of muscle strains, lower back pain, neck pain and the healing of sports injuries.

She said most of her animal patients come in the form of race or equestrian horses and show dogs. Animal athletes.

"[Their owners] want to make sure they

stay tuned up," Greidanus said.

Originally from the Hamilton area, Greidanus completed an undergraduate degree in life sciences at McMaster University and said she knew she wanted a career in some form of medicine, perhaps physiotherapy.

Instead, on a suggestion from her aunt, Greidanus headed to the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College where she graduated in 2008.

It was at her 2009 course in animal chiropractics that she met Dr. Kim Adine, who ran Highlands Chiropractic for more than 10 years.

Ultimately, that meeting led to Greidanus taking over the Minden practice.

"Working for yourself is really nice," she said, explaining that until now she has worked on a locum basis for clinics mostly in York Region, as she and her husband

had been living in Newmarket.

"You never got to know your patients or watch them get better," she said, explaining that she was excited to form long-term relationships with her patients here.

Greidanus said she also loves the Minden area for its landscape and laid-back pace. She is familiar with Haliburton County since her husband's family has a cottage on Haliburton Lake.

"We'd always come to Minden," she said. "And when we lost power, we'd come to Minden, too."

While they currently live on Lake Simcoe, Greidanus said she and her husband would consider moving to the county.

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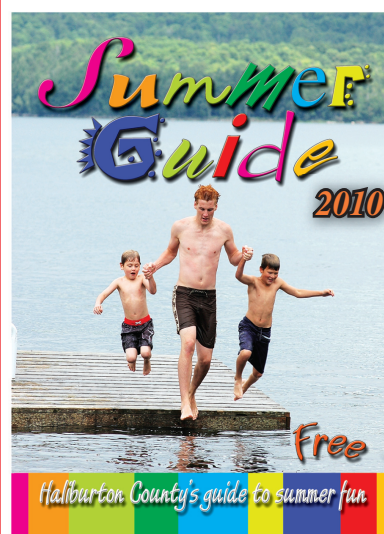
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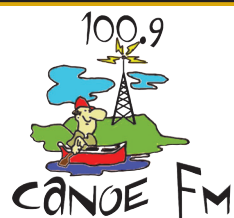


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The Earth Day flag was hoisted on April 20 at the Village Green in Minden. /Submitted photo

Family festival flies flag on Earth Day

At noon on April 20, the Earth Day Flag was hoisted in Minden at the pole in the Village Green.

Minden Hills is hosting this year's festival which will be held at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre on April 24 from 1 to 4 p.m.

The flag is the official Earth Day Canada flag since our local festival is part of the Canada Earth Day program. Commonly held on April 22, Earth Day is the largest, most celebrated environmental event worldwide. More than 6 million Canadians join 500 million people in more than 180 countries to focus on local environmental issues.

On April 22, at 2 p.m. there will be a presentation at R.D. Lawrence Place about Sustainable Building, the rest of the events will be held on April 24.

The day kicks off with the 3rd annual Minden Makeover, lead by Environment Haliburton volunteers. Please bring your own gloves, bags will be provided, and the vol-

unteers doing the clean-up will meet at R.D. Lawrence Place at 11 am. The rest of the schedule for this fantastic day is below. Our emcee for the event will be Rick Lowes from Moose FM.

1 p.m. Opening ceremony - common room; live music with Trina West; Barry Hayward drumming; Fay Wilkinson storyteller and Name that Tree Mascot contest.

1:30 -3:30 p.m. Art Attack - outdoors; Green Girlfriends Clothing Swap - Rotary room in the library bring a few items of clothing, leave with a few items of clothing - recycle your wardrobe!

2-2:45 p.m. Kids play outdoor educational games with Kinark Outdoor Centre; families and adults welcome to presentation on how to recycle in this county.

2:45-3:30 p.m. Kids build water filtration unit and play games with Bark Leadership Centre; Good Green News with Susanne Lauten in common room.

3:30-4 p.m. Closing ceremony in common room; Terri and Rick Johnson - professional children's entertainers; passing of the flag to the next festival host.

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losing money.

"Like any new business ... it was tough," Aubry said in an interview.

"It was brutally difficult to find capital investments."

Over the past three years, the institute bled money through the winter months, unable to get the numbers needed to stay afloat. In a public report released in November, Aubry wrote: "The one goal that continues to elude us is the all-important goal of making the Frost Centre Institute economically self-sufficient. Like many businesses and governments these days, we are operating at a deficit and we are accumulating some debt. The reason is that our activity levels drop off dramatically in the period from November to April, just at the time when the operating costs are at their highest levels."

The provincial government, which owns the Frost Centre, was at first lenient with the institute, MPP Rick Johnson said, but eventually it had to make a decision.

"The bottom line is they're facing some incredible financial challenges. The province has gone above and beyond trying to assist them with this through not collecting rent I think since the first payment and it just got to a point where he's not going to get out of that," he said.

The Frost Centre Institute hasn't paid rent on the building since its first installment nearly three years ago, he said.

Johnson wouldn't disclose how much money was lost on the venture, but called it "significant."

"We've really gone above and beyond to help them out and make it work. If it had been viable, if we could see a

point at some point where they'd have a chance to repay the money that hadn't been collected, but it got to the point where it didn't seem that it was an option," he said. Aubry had proposed a few scenarios to the Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure hoping to break even, but by that point they weren't biting, he said.

"We reduced the loss by 60 per cent ... and were to break even in 18 months," he said.

He asked that the centre close down in the winter months, but found the government unwilling to take over the building in the downtime.

Finally, he developed an idea to launch the Frost Environmental College to keep the place sustainable year round, but needed large capital investment, which couldn't be found.

The government's plan now is to take over the building, keep it up to standard and look for a new tenant or owner. "It's unfortunate. I think [Aubry] had some good ideas," Johnson said, "Whether the economy or just whatever undercut his operation is unfortunate, but it's a great facility and I know the government, we believe it's got a lot of history in the area. So the intent is to find someone else to come in and operate it."

The government will be requesting proposals for the Frost Centre in the coming months.

Aubry, meanwhile, is planning to spend time with his six grandkids and do some woodworking.

"I feel extremely privileged to have the opportunity to work on a project that gave thousands of kids a learning experience they wouldn't have had otherwise," he said.

The Frost Centre Institute will close at the end of the month.

\$27,000 for marketing

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then be used to create a municipal cultural plan for Minden Hills. Once refined, this model will be shared with Dysart, Highlands East and Algonquin Highlands. Performing arts is the recipient of the second bundle of money – \$27,000 – which will go to marketing the Highlands as a performing arts destination to "attract audiences from targeted new markets," a press release from the arts council reads. The museum funding will be given to the cultural centre, Stanhope museum and arts council to partially digitize their collections, increasing accessibility to the public. There will be an official launch event for the three projects on Friday, April 23 at 2 p.m. at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre to be attended by MPP Rick Johnson.

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Volunteer fair a hit

by STEVE GALEA
Special to the Times

If good food, laughs, networking opportunities and attendance are any indication, Haliburton County's first Volunteer Fair was a stunning success.

The event, organized by Community Care, Canoe FM and SIRCH Community Services ran between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday at the Haliburton Legion and brought together 32 diverse community groups who set up displays so that potential volunteers could learn more about their activities.

Attendees were also entertained by the talented Minden-area comedy team of Lo and Mo and then invited to a luncheon buffet afterwards. Also five local volunteers – Sheila Ziman, Jamie Hurley, Scotty Morrison, Gord Kidd and MPP Rick Johnson – spoke about

the personal benefits of donating time and talents to local community groups.

"We were a bit nervous going into this ... but we were so very glad with the turnout and all the positive comments, for sure we will do this next year," event organizer Roxanne Casey said.

"We counted 153 people and, when talking to the representatives at the various booths, found they were very happy with the results. Volunteering is vital to Haliburton County and without volunteers many organizations would cease to exist. We know how hard it is sometimes for organizations to attract and keep volunteers. We thought that this event might be just what was needed to encourage people who might be looking for a volunteer opportunity, but weren't quite sure what they wanted to do or where they best fit."

Minden WI ladies go green

MINDEN W.I.

President, Pam Rolfe

Jean Cox was the hostess for the March 17 meeting of the Minden Women's Institute. One guest and 14 members were present. The roll call was, "wear something green" or pay a forfeit.

All the members were sporting something in the many and various shades of green, not emerald, but they got into the spirit and nobody had to pay a forfeit.

The institute ode was sung and the collect recited. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting, the treasurer's report was read by the President in the absence of the treasurer and the card convener reported that four were sent out during the last month.

The status of the park bench was deferred for a month waiting for spring to arrive. Most of the members handed in their volunteer hours for 2009/10 to be sent to the district meeting in May.

Del read her current events report for the last two months to keep us up to date with the local news.

For her subject this month Jean chose the St. Lawrence Seaway, which after many years of deliberation between the U.S. and Canada finally commenced in the late '50s. Many villages and roads were submerged for this project and there are still roads that lead to the water and stop at the waters edge. There were several pioneer cemeteries that were to be submerged and after getting permission from family members the caskets were removed and located elsewhere. Many people were in total disagreement with this project, but were unable to put a halt to progress. Churches and houses were removed to higher ground and new settlements were established. Upper Canada Village, near Morrisburg was created with houses, businesses, mills, churches and small farms from the flooded areas. If you have never visited this village, I suggest a trip to discover history.

The president read a few limericks to keep us in the Irish mode. She also read a story about Mother's Handkerchief and the spitwash, which most of us could relate to.

We sang grace, and tea, coffee and goodies were provided and served by Jean, Elva and Del.

The April 21 meeting will be held at the president's home at 1:30 p.m. and the officers for 2010/11 will be elected.

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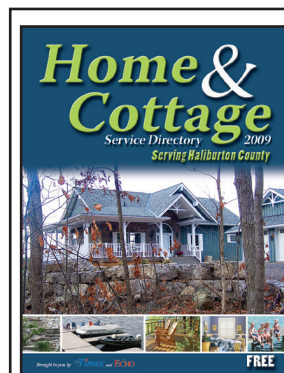
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

All claims against the estate of Olive Jean Spring, who died on or about the 17th day of February, 2010, must be filed with the undersigned personal representative on or before the 28th day of April, 2010, after which date the estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims of which the Estate Trustee shall then have notice.

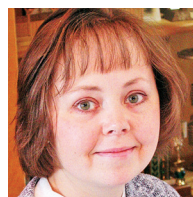
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Yoga classes have new night: Wednesdays



DORSET NEWS

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Monday night yoga class at the recreation centre has been changed to a new night. Starting this week, yoga class will be on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. The class is taught by Katie Ross and is suitable for all levels. Your first class is free and there is no obligation. You can't lose – come out and try it!

A typical class consists of various poses designed to improve posture and align the body. Along with physical postures, breathing exercises work to open the body's many channels, especially the spine, so that energy can flow freely.

A yoga class is both relaxing and invigorating. Try one now! For more information, contact the recreation centre at drc@algonquinhighlands.ca or 766-9968.

Local canoe builder Rick Nash has made it to the 21st century! Have a look at his great website www.rmnash-birchbarkcanoes.ca to see photos of Rick's beautiful work. Congratulations Rick and Doris!

This is the final week to purchase your tickets for the 7th Annual Evening of Wine, Words, Music and Art. The event is happening this Friday, April 23 starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Tickets are \$6 each or 2 for \$10 and are available at the Recreation Centre (age of majority event for 19 years and up).

Participants include musicians Zoe Chilco and Ruth Cassie. There are also numerous authors, poets and artists along with Moon Shadows Estate Winery and wonderful refreshments courtesy of Robinson's General Store.

Books, CDs and artwork will be available to purchase directly from the artists. For more information or to purchase tickets to this much anticipated event, please call 766-9968.

Lion Sherry Welsh will be in Dorset on May 1, 2010 to start her fundraising walk in loving memory of her sister Karen Manary Klassen and the many other people and families who suffer from Kidney Disease.

Please support this third annual walk. This year Sherry is starting at Lions Camp Dorset in Dorset Ontario, on May 1st and travelling about 600 km, 37 days, to the Parliament buildings in Ottawa.

All proceeds will go to Lions Camp Dorset – the only camp in Ontario that caters to families that have a member requiring kidney dialysis. For more information, have a look at www.lionscampdorset.on.ca or call Sherry at 519-909-9780.

The Dorset Community Policing Committee is pleased to announce the final G8 Summit meeting along with the RCMP at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Wednesday, May 5 from 7 to 9 p.m. This is the last information meeting in Dorset. Maps showing the alternate routes to Huntsville will be available. For more information, contact Marlene at 766-2409.

Birthday wishes for the week of April 18 to 24 go out to Todd Brooks, Jordie Schuetze, Julie White, Grace McEachern, Kaytelyn Taylor, Betty Russell and Peri Coombs. Have fun on your special day!

To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email melalfano@hotmail.com or give me a call at 705-766-0076.

Zion Untied Church gives warm, fuzzy feeling



STANHOPE LIFE

Gina Atkinson

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The Zion United Church opened their doors to celebrate local Business Appreciation Sunday last weekend and certainly left me with a warm and fuzzy feeling for the day.

We felt like royalty! I was not prepared for the easy, happy service offered on Sunday.

Afterward, we were treated to refreshments and treats. Just might be attending service more often!

Last year we took part in some of the interesting line-up of events the church planned for the community and looks like plans are underway for more this year.

This Sunday is Earth Day with the Zion United Church

and the Minden United Church together offering a joint worship service in Minden. Their guests will be the Outloud Womyn's Voices as well as the Travelling Labyrinth. Lunch will be available after service.

On May 9 the Zion United Church will be celebrating Mother's Day with the men cooking breakfast. How cool is that?

More information will follow on this day.

Another year for the Razzamataz Kids Shows and until May 31 you have a great opportunity to save on season passes.

The Early Bird discount is \$20 per seat (children under two are free) and this is for all four shows! Normal rates are \$8 adult and \$6 child.

For tickets, more details on upcoming events or to be part

of the committee for this wonderful organization, please email Michele Dulong at dulong@sympatico.ca or visit their website at www.razzamataz.ca.

Don't miss this offer because its good fun for all ages.

Spring Registration

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Tuesday, April 27th & Wednesday, April 28th
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AROUND THE TOWN

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With a family of three girls, dolls were household favourites. No Barbies back then but the Eaton Beauties, Kewpies and the Campbell's Soup Kids are today's collectibles. Recently a visit to Marie Pentland sparked renewed interest. After 19 years of making porcelain dolls in her Nanna's Treasures Minden studio, Marie now plans to return to England where her family resides. A valued member/teacher in the Kinmount and area Artisans Guild she has also displayed her handiwork in the pioneer exhibit at the Kinmount Fair. Now Marie has many items related to her craft for sale including her kiln, moulds

and other supplies. If interested please give her a call at 286-5142. One doll with a mischievous dimpled grin now resides here in the old farmhouse. While others on display had romantic names like Rachel, Liz or Kelly my choice's mould turned out to be labeled "Little Stinker" – somehow seems a perfect fit.

Canoe FM announced that here in Canada this is National Volunteer Week with some 12 million volunteers dedicating their time and talents across our country. Apparently the word "volunteer" is derived from the Latin word meaning free will, free choice. How appropriate considering that these great people willingly give their time to organizations whose values they choose to support. Even estimated at minimum wage, the dollar value of this resource is astronomical. Thank you again to all our area volunteers who continue to make our communities better places to call home.

This week's Sunday Ramble entitled "Story of Frog's

Hollow," sponsored by the Friends of the Rail Trail, heads out at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 25 from the Tory Hill crossroads. Hear intriguing oral history as you walk along the old IB&O rail line, the shore of McCue Lake and areas of closed forest and marshes. Easy or more energetic options are available to suit your preferred activity level. Bring along a brown-bag lunch with tea/coffee provided afterwards at the [k]nave, a unique church-turned home/studio/gallery. For more information about the rambles program call the Friends at 705-457-4767 or visit www.friendsoftherailtrail.ca.

Here is another opportunity for a historical walk this time in Coboconk. On Saturday, May 1 come out for the first annual Jane's Walk. Meet near the Old Lime Kiln/Quarry at 2 p.m. to explore Coby's history and heritage on a free walking tour downtown with time to stop and listen to various guides, share stories or ask questions. Everyone is welcome, locals and visitors alike. The casual paced walk will last one-and-a-half to two hours with lots of rest stops but do wear comfortable shoes and bring a water bottle if you like. For any questions contact cobywalk@gmail.com.

There is still time before walking in Coby on May 1 to join Kinmount's annual Pitch-In Day sponsored by the Sparks, Brownies, Guides and Pathfinders. Meet at the Railway Station at 9 a.m. for a one-hour assignment. Gloves and garbage bags will be provided and refreshments supplied after a job well done.

In rural areas such as ours community pharmacists provide valuable health care services that can help keep our residents particularly those with chronic illness out of emergency rooms and hospital. Proposed provincial funding cuts will have a profound effect on small town pharmacies and those services provided. The Kinmount Pharmacy for example offers free home delivery of medications, home visitation, blister pack and individual consultation. To express concern about these funding cuts write to our MPP Rick Johnson at 14 Lindsay St. North, Lindsay, Ontario K9V 1T4, call 705-324-6654, fax 705-324-6938 or email rjohnson.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org. Time is short so please act quickly. Until next week...



The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 636 Minden, Ontario

NOTICE to All Legion Members
Branch 636, Minden, Ontario

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE will be held at the Branch on WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

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OPEN HOUSES

MINDEN: Hyland Crest: Friday, April 23 at 9.30 - 11.00 a.m. and Monday, April 26 at 6.00 - 7.30 p.m.

WILBERFORCE: Lloyd Watson Centre, Wednesday, April 28 1.00 - 2.30 p.m.

HALIBURTON: United Church, Pine St., Monday, May 3 at 9.30 - 11.00 a.m.



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What's happening in the County

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to the  Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca

• **April 20: Aging Well in Haliburton County at the Lloyd Watson Community Centre in Wilberforce**— What did we learn from 437 surveys? What did 4 focus groups have to say? What issues do seniors face here? How are they different for each municipality? Join us from 1 pm to 3 pm to hear what we learned and what we are planning to do about it. Consider joining us as we take action to make it easier to age well in Haliburton County.

• **April 21: The Friends of the Haliburton Public Library invite you to an afternoon of story telling and music with award winning travel author and humorist, Matt Jackson at 2 pm**— In the Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. Come and enjoy Jackson's tales of a four year adventure hitchhiking across Canada. Refreshments will be served. No cost for Friends members; \$10 for non members. For more information call 447-2402 or email friends@haliburtonlibrary.ca

• **April 22: Haliburton County Garlic Growers present 2010 Garlic Workshop Learning and Sharing**— Join us at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Centre, Minden at 7 pm. With guest speaker Paul Pospisil, renowned garlic grower, speaker, master gardener and managing editor of the garlic news. Admission by donation. For further information please contact Sheila Robb 489-4201.

• **April 23: Taoist Tai Chi Society(TM) New classes in Taoist Tai Chi (TM)** begin Friday, April 23 at 9:30 a.m. and on Monday, April 26 at 6:00 p.m. at Hyland Crest, Minden; Wednesday, April 28 at 1:00 p.m. at Watson Centre, Wilberforce; and Monday, May 3 at 9:30 a.m. at United Church, Haliburton. Taoist Tai Chi (TM) is a gentle form of exercise which can help you improve your strength, flexibility and balance. Come learn what tai chi could do for you. For more information, please call Brenda 447-2148.

• **April 24: The Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development** Invites You to attend the Sixteenth Annual Dinner/Auction in support of Community Improvement Projects in the Village of Kinmount— Join us at the Galway Hall, doors open at 5:30 pm and dinner is at 7:00 pm. There is a live auction, silent auction and country raffle. For tickets or information please call 488-2687 or 488-2635.

• **April 26: Aging Well in Haliburton County at the Stanhope Community Centre**— What did we learn from 437 surveys? What did 4 focus groups have to say? What issues do seniors face here? How are they different for each municipality? Join us from 1 pm to 3 pm to hear what we learned and what we are planning to do about it. Consider joining us as we take action to make it easier to age well in Haliburton County.

• **April 26: Taoist Tai Chi Society(TM) New classes in Taoist Tai Chi (TM)** begin on Monday, April 26 at 6:00 p.m. at Hyland Crest, Minden; Wednesday, April 28 at 1:00 p.m. at Watson Centre, Wilberforce; and Monday, May 3 at 9:30 a.m. at United Church, Haliburton. Taoist Tai Chi (TM) is a gentle form of exercise which can help you improve your strength, flexibility and balance. Come learn what tai chi could do for you. For more information, please call Brenda 447-2148.

• **April 27: GriefShare Support Group**— Join us for from 7:30 – 9:00 pm at Lakeside Baptist Church, Park St, Haliburton. No cost to attend.

• **April 27: Aging Well in Haliburton County at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre (Old Library)**— What did we learn from 437 surveys? What did 4 focus groups have to say? What issues do seniors face here? How are they different for each municipality? Join us from 1 pm to 3 pm to hear what we learned and what we are planning to do about it. Consider joining us as we take action to make it easier to age well in Haliburton County.

• **April 27: Le Club de francais**— third meeting at Fleming College, Room 10 from 7-8:30 pm— Venez s'amuser, discuter, chanter, jouer et manger en francais. Last Tuesday of every month. 754-1294

• **April 28: Taoist Tai Chi Society(TM) New classes in Taoist Tai Chi (TM)** begin on Wednesday, April 28 at 1:00 p.m. at Watson Centre, Wilberforce; and Monday, May 3 at 9:30 a.m. at United Church, Haliburton. Taoist Tai Chi (TM) is a gentle form of exercise which can help you improve your strength, flexibility and balance. Come learn what tai chi could do for you. For more information, please call Brenda 447-2148.

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis**. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.ca or brought in to the office.

Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.

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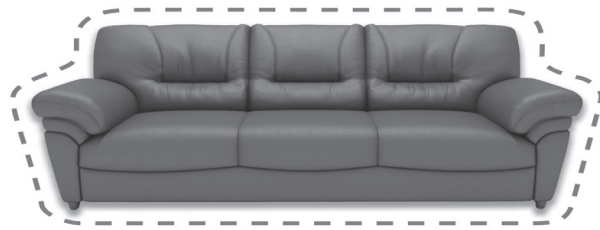
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